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Honorable David E. Bell Director Buresu of the Dudget Weshington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rell:

A comprehensive review and classification of key positions in the Central Intelligence Agency has recently been completed and, on the besis of the Windings and conclusions of this stay, the Hirector of Central Latellinence has approved a supergrade authorization of ____ for the Agency.

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The reclassifications involved were determined on the basis of the authority and resumnabilities of the senior officials of the Agency. Careful consideration was also given to the grades of comparable positions in other federal agencies and departments with the regard for the similarities and differences in mission and structure of these america and departments. Cur earlier study made in 1955 resulted in the establishment of] supergrade posi25X9A2 tions in the Agency. This number was later increased by 25X9 positions and the Mirector of the Bureau of the Dubnet was notified by letter dated 14 May 1969 that a supergrade ceiling or | posi25X9A2 tions had been established..

As a result of our current review, the Director has concluded that an increase in the supergrade calling of the Agency is both equitable and necessary if the Arency is to fulfill its responsibilities. Accordingly, he has approved a ceiling of 25X9A2 D.S indicated above.

CONCUR:

Faithfully yours,

Marshall S. Carter Lieutennat Cemeral, USA ______lrector

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/s/ Ermett D. Echols

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